

16 September 1952

Dear Mr. Hunt:

In response to your letter of August 21st, may I assure you that I fully understand your position respecting the letter which I had from [redacted] a few weeks ago. Well meaning interventions of this sort are by no means rare and are probably unpreventable.

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I do want you to know, moreover, that this incident in no wise lowers the high esteem in which you are held for your present excellent work.

Sincerely,

(Signed) ALLEN W. DULLES

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Mr. E. Howard Hunt

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[REDACTED]
August 21, 1952

Mr. Allen W. Dulles,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

I am taking the liberty of writing you directly
regarding a communication sent you by [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] at the misguided behest of my father.

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I learned of the matter only today and am
deeply embarrassed and disturbed by my father's well
meant but unwarranted intervention in a question which
should rightly be resolved only with regard to merit
and the particular circumstances involved.

Inasmuch as [REDACTED] communication may
well have caused embarrassment to yourself, I wish to
offer my sincere apology and regret over the incident,
which, I assure you, was consummated without either my
knowledge or desire.

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Respectfully,

E. Howard Hunt

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